First Congregational
United Church of Christ

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An open and affirming community committed to peace and justice

March 26, 2023
10:00 am
Fifth Sunday in Lent

"A Celebration of Women in Ministry"

No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, You are welcome here!

WORSHIP ON ZOOM -- Zoom opens at 9:30 am Sunday morning.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7643282234

Meeting ID: 764 328 2234
Passcode: Ypsi1882
To join by phone, dial the number, 1-312-626-6799

- Welcome to Ypsilanti First Congregational UCC's Hybrid Worship Service
- Hymns are included in the worship bulletin. A separate hymnal is not needed.
- If you are joining worship for the first-time on Zoom, please add your name and email to the chat so the Zoomie Greeter can introduce you.
- Thank you for choosing to worship with us today!

OPEN AND AFFIRMING COVENANT OF
First Congregational United Church of Christ, Ypsilanti

First Congregational United Church of Christ, Ypsilanti celebrates everyone, including people of all ages, races, cultures, sexual orientations, gender identifies and expressions, family configurations, economic circumstances, physical, cognitive or emotional abilities, education or spiritual or religious traditions. All are welcome to participate fully in the life, leadership, ministry, and missions of this church as we seek to grow together in a safe, nurturing community of faith. We strive to demonstrate in all ways that "NO MATTER WHO YOU ARE OR WHERE YOU ARE ON LIFE'S JOURNEY, YOU ARE WELCOME HERE!"

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PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

RINGING THE BELL **MARTY KLEINO**

PRELUDE *Start Zoom Recoding to Cloud **VISHNU SRINIVAS**

"Open the Eyes of My Heart"
By Paul Baloche

GATHERING HYMN *Microphone muted Standing or seated optional **TIFFANIE WALDRON**

"Center of My Joy"
72 SING

CALL TO WORSHIP *Responsive **DONNA EYSTER**

Leader: There are different spiritual gifts,

People: But the same Spirit.

Leader: There are many of us,

People: But the same Spirit who gives to us all.

Leader: There are different ministries,

People: And one God who calls and equips us for service.

HYMN *Microphone muted Standing or seated optional **TIFFANIE WALDRON**

"I Wanna Be Ready"
616 NCH

LISTENING FOR GOD

FIRST READING **A Litany to Honor Women** **MARY ELLEN SMILEY**

SECOND READING *Responsive **Psalm 46** **DONNA EYSTER**

Leader: God is our refuge and our strength, who from of old has helped us in our distress. Therefore, we fear nothing—

People: Even if the earth should open up in front of us and mountains plunge into the depths of the sea, even if the earth's waters rage and foam and the mountains tumble with its heaving.

Leader: There's a river whose streams gladden the city of God, the holy dwelling of the Most High.

People: God is in its midst, it will never fall—God will help it at daybreak.

Leader: Though the nations are in turmoil and empires crumble, God's voice resounds, and it melts the earth.

All: YHWH Sabaoth is with us--- our stronghold is the God of Israel!

Leader: Come, see what YHWH has done—

People: God makes the earth bounteous!
God has put an end to war, from one end of the earth to the other,
breaking bows, splintering spears, and setting chariots on fire.

Leader: "Be still, and know that I am God!
I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted upon the earth,"

All: YHWH Sabaoth is with us--- our stronghold is the God of Israel!

HYMN *Microphone muted *Standing optional **TIFFANIE WALDRON**

"Called As Partners in Christ's Service"
495 NCH

MORNING MESSAGE **"My Story"** **ANTIONETTE BROWN**

CONVERSING WITH THE HOLY ONE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *Pause Zoom recording

*Zoomies: Please turn on your microphone

You are invited to share your joys and petitions for prayer.
Please unmute your microphone to share a joy or make a prayer of petition.
At the end of each joy or petition, please say **"God in your mercy"**
We will respond (with microphones muted) **"Hear our prayers"**

PASTORAL PRAYER *Restart Zoom recording **DONNA EYSTER**

DISCIPLES' PRAYER **DONNA EYSTER & MARY ELLEN SMILEY**

*Responsive with microphones muted

Donna: For she who went before,
People: Blazing, praying, pushing, and showing,
Donna: As we quenched, silenced, and diminished.
All: Lord, forgive us.

Mary Ellen: For she who stands before us now,
People: Preaching, proclaiming, reaching, and naming,
Mary Ellen: As we listen, receive, and embrace.
All: Lord, we thank you.

Donna: For she who will come.
People: Prophesying, leading, creating, and innovating,
Donna: As we long, anticipate, and hope.
All: Lord, make us ready.

All: May we ever look back and lament.
Look up with gratitude.
Look forward with open hearts. Amen.

OFFERING

INVITATION TO OFFERING **DONNA EYSTER**

God is the source of our supply. Let us give from what we have been supplied.
May this supply meet every demand. Amen.

Our electronic giving platform is Tithe.ly: Link to Tithe.ly

Please place in-person offerings in the offering place on the table by the door.

Checks can be mailed to:
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Thank you for your generosity!

OFFERTORY **"I Love to Tell the Story"** By William Fischer **VISHNU SRINIVAS**

DOXOLOGY *Microphone muted Standing or seated optional **TIFFANIE WALDRON**

"Take My Gifts" v,2, 562 NCH

Take the fruits that I have gathered from the tree your Spirit sowed,
Harvest of your own compassion, juice that makes the wine of God,
Spiced with humor, laced with laughter, flavor of the Jesus life,
Tang of risk and new adventure, taste and zest beyond belief

PRAYER OF DEDICATION *Unison with Microphone muted **DONNA EYSTER**

Divine Sustainer, receive this offering we gladly give.
May it be used to revive and restore those in need. Amen.

DEPARTING WITH PRAISE

CLOSING HYMN *Microphone muted Standing or seated optional **TIFFANIE WALDRON**

"Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness"
286 NCH

BENEDICTION **DONNA EYSTER**

God's gifts and mercies have been lavished upon us with abundance.
Those gifts and mercies have been taken up by many faithful people,
And this day we celebrate the faithful women
who have used their gifts and shared God's mercies with us.
May we, inspired by God's grace and the faithful women in our lives,
Go forth from this place,
Ready to serve,
Ready to listen,
Ready to answer God's call.

POSTLUDE Please remain seated **VISHNU SRINIVAS**

"Blessed Assurance" By Phoebe Knapp

PASSING THE PEACE **FRIENDS GATHERED**

*Save Zoom Recording to Cloud (click "yes")

- Share a greeting with others as we transition to our casual **Friendship Time.**

Hybrid Sunday Worship 10:00 am

Rev. Liz Larrivee, Pastor & Spiritual Director
Antionette Brown (Rev. Jeanette Sherrill) - Preacher
Tiffanie Waldron, Music Director
Vishnu Srinivas, Accompanist

Jenn Zibbell, MID Ministry Intern
Donna Eyster & Mary Ellen Smiley, Worship Leaders
Marty Kleino, Usher & Bell Ringer

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Antionette Brown portrayed by Rev. Jeanette Sherrill

NOTES: Jeanettle says she has been portraying Antionette Brown for 30 years. She is ordained by the United Church of Christ and has pastored churches in several States. She now resides with her husband,Mo Sherrill, in Bradenton, Florida.

Jeanette continues to support our weekly worship services preparing liturgy and being a partner in the development of our weekly worship services.

Many thanks to Jeanette for today's message and for all her contributions to our beloved faith community.

ATTRIBUTIONS FOR TODAY'S BULLETIN

- **Cover Art:** *Antoinette L. Brown*
- **Call to Worship:** April Fiet *Faithward.org (adapted)*
- **Litany to Honor Women:** Rev. Liz Testa *Common Prayer: A Liturgy for Ordinary Radicals (adapted)*
- **Disciples Prayer,** April Fiet, *Faithward.org (adapted)*
- **Offertory Invitation and Prayer of Dedication,** Rev. Tena Nock, *UCC Worship Ways*
- **Benediction** April Fiet, *Faithward.org (adapted)*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

For pastoral care needs and/or emergencies, please call or text Pastor Liz, 734-358-6108.

Worship Next Week - Palm Sunday: Worship Leader, Patty Sherwood; Greeters, Donna Eyster (R) and **Dan Kidder-McQuown** (Z).

Running from Empty-Lenten Devotionals 2023 by the writers of *Still Speaking Writers Group* continue to be available in either print or digital form. Print copies are on the table at the back of the sanctuary and a digital link is available by contacting

Margaret Harner at margaretsharner@gmail.com

Weekly Ypsi UCC Community Discernment Gatherings meet on Mondays at 7:00 pm on the church Zoom. Our next meeting is on March 27 at 7:00 pm. At that meeting we will begin our Appreciative Inquiry process to identify our Core Values and Guiding Principles. **Our last Community Discernment Gathering will be held on Monday, April 3 during which we will finalize our Core Values.**

"Engaging Christian Contemplation Practices" Vitality Grant seminar continues to meet bi-weekly on Wednesdays at 7:00 pm through the UCC Southern New England Conference Center for Leadership Development. **The last gathering is on March 29.** We continue to learn and practice new ways to relax into God's presence while trusting the Spirit to guide us in discerning God's Still Speaking voice as seek to serve as "Contemplatives in Action."

The Worship Team will meet on the 2nd Monday of each month at 6:30 pm via Zoom. Our next meeting will be Monday, April 10. The remaining 2023 Worship Team Meeting dates are May 8, June 12, Jul 10, Aug 14, Sept 11, Oct 9, Nov 13, and Dec 11.

Patrick O'Brien continues to reside at Regency at Canton. He appreciates visits, cards & phone calls. His room is #134 (Bed 2), telephone 734-355-9076, Address – 45900 Geddes Rd., Canton, MI 48188

Chris Hale has returned home following her recent hospitalization to continue her recovery. Providing some meals for Chris would be helpful. Pastor Liz set up a ***Take Them a Meal*** opportunity for us to meet this need. The link is https://takethemameal.com/ASQB6340
If you prefer to prepare a meal, please include it on the calendar found in the link so others can plan accordingly**. Marty Kleino**, Congregational Coordinator, is willing to deliver meals. Marty and reached at 734-262-1419 or Mgkleino@gmail.com.

Ron Horvath continues his recovery.

Dan and Kari Kidder-McQuown continue to provide love and support for their friend, **Peter,** who is facing lengthy cancer treatment.

Please keep Patrick, Chris, Ron, Dan, Kari and Peter in your prayers.

Holy Grounds Ministry is expanding to include **"Tea for the Soul"** which has begun for night staff at Trinity Health Ann Arbor (St. Joe's). Chaplain Dan Kidder-McQuown will be serving hot tea and snacks on different units in addition to good coffee.

Below are the items we will be needed (through June) and identified by Dan:

- Loose leaf tea from local shops, i.e., black teas, green teas, and herbal (no caffeine) teas.
- Individual large tea filters, usually sold in 100 count packages.
- Local roasted coffee
- Snacks that go well with tea

Women's History Month: Continuing to honor women in ordained ministry.

Rev Dr Lillian Daniel is a preacher, teacher, writer who serves as the Michigan Conference Minister of the United Church of Christ; the first woman to serve Michigan in this capacity. Her book, ***Tired of Apologizing for a Church I Don't Belong To*** is generating international conversation about the changing religious landscape. It continues the theme of her 2013 book ***When 'Spiritual But Not Religious' Is Not Enouby gh*** about the growing number of people who claim "none" as their religious preference. Following is a piece for our contemplation for Lent.

Nostalgia Is an Unreliable Narrator. By Michigan Conference Minister Lilian Daniel

"Before the pandemic, we had thirteen people in the choir," the pastor tells me, while the moderator explains that it was a three octave bell choir made up of both adults, who all saw eye to eye, and youth, who never missed a rehearsal. But that's nothing compared to the same choir as described by the church historian who adds that there was also a vocal choir whose large tenor section all had masters degrees in musical performance, perfect pitch and halos, because it wasn't actually a human choir but an elite ensemble of harp playing angels.

Nostalgia is an unreliable narrator. The more time that passes between now and the glory days, the better that old church choir sounds. Same goes for the couples clubs who met for monthly dinners, the booming youth group, or the last live worship service before the shut down in 2020, that seemed so ordinary and lightly attended at the time but now gets bigger and better in the rear view mirror.

Over the last nine months, I've worshiped and preached at 45 church services in the Michigan Conference and in a spirit of humility, I do have a few observations. I recognize that year three of whatever we are going through feels harder than year one or two. For this reason, I am leading a ***clergy retreat*** with serious scholarships (use code MI 1/2) and we are holding a ***workshop on trauma*** for our leaders. Early in the pandemic, we were all in scramble mode, doing whatever we needed to in a time of crisis, including watching (and even leading) worship from our couches, wearing suit jackets and pajama bottoms. But now in 2023, we are experiencing the weird, unexpected grief that church life has not returned to normal, whatever we remember normal to be. And therein lies the problem. The further we get from normal, the more diverse our memories of normal become, which creates conflict in churches where we all unfairly compare our present moment to competing and divergent views of a mythical past.

How about we all just stop doing that? How about we work on living in the present moment? After all, we follow Jesus, whose entire ministry spanned three very hard years, but ended in a death that turned out to be a resurrection. Nostalgia is an unreliable narrator.

So this Lent, I am giving up nostalgia. Will you join me?"

Rev Karen Georgia Thompson is poised to lead the Cleveland-based United Church of Christ. If approved by the church's General Synod this summer, she would become the first woman and third Black person to lead the denomination. "As a person of color and as a woman, I've learned to navigate the world from a more collaborative space, building consensus. Privilege is not something that I've been able to hold and own as a leader," Thompson said.

There was a series of "firsts" that lead to Thompson being nominated to lead the church. She was the first woman of color to serve a congregation in the church's Florida Conference. And she was the first woman of African descent to hold her current role – elected officer for Wider Church Ministries.

Thompson said her leadership could open the opportunity for more women to serve and take on leadership roles in the church. "I think the struggle through the normative space is sometimes ignored in the moment," Thompson said. "Being able to be in the spaces to say our women and girls, these barriers that are presented in front of us, are just that, they're obstacles to be surmounted."

Thompson said the church has been in decline and attributes that to a lack of inclusivity, something she hopes to change. "There are a lot of people whose lives have been disrupted and people have been hurt by the church," Thompson said. "Being able to find ways for people to be welcome and engaged in the church is something that's important for me."

Thompson was born in Kingston, Jamaica and worked in Miami before moving to Cleveland in 2009 to work for UCC headquarters. She's held several positions since then and is now an elected officer for Wider Church Ministries, a global and multicultural initiative of the UCC, and a co-executive of Global Ministries, a mission of the UCC. She has been on the executive committee of the World Council of Churches since September.

Ordained women pastoring this congregation include: Rev. Liz Larrivee (current), Rev. Carol Hall, Rev. Heather Branton, Rev. Dr. Renee Jackson, Rev. Nora Fitzpatrick, and Rev. Nancy Rohde

OUR MINISTRIES

HOLY GROUNDS AND TEA FOR THE SOUL

During the Omicron (COVID) surge members of Ypsi UCC proided local coffee, tea, coffee cups, and single packaged snacks for the night shift at Trinity Health St. Joe Mercy Hospital where Rev. Dan Kidder-McQuown is the night chaplain. While the COVID crisis has partially resolved, the stress level of the night staff has not. Contributing factors include the long-term emerging effects of COVID, a lack of staff, a nation-wide nurse shortage, and staff burnout. The night shift greatly appreciates this ministry of hospitality and caring.

Please consider donating coffee that is roasted by local Michigan companies. Tea and single packaged candy or snacks are also welcome. Please contact Marty Kleino at Mgkleino@gmail.com or 734-262-1419 to have your donation delivered to St. Joes. If you would like more information about this ministry, please contact Dan Kidder-McQuown at mcq188@gmail.com or 517-240-8413.

THE BEACON CENTER

The **Beacon Center** is the community social justice of the Ypsilanti First Congregational UCC. As a light to all persons, the Beacon Center's ministry will support the spiritual formation, creative expression, overall thriving and advocacy of at-risk students of all ages, including those affiliated with three primary local institutions of higher learning: Eastern Michigan University, Washtenaw Community College and University of Michigan. In the Spirit of the UCC moto, "That They All Shall Be One", Beacon Center serves as a uniting and unifying umbrella across our congregation serving persons sources through our three other community social justice ministry networks. Those ministries (each detailed below) include WICIR (Washtenaw Interfaith Coalition for Immigrant Rights) serving the immigrant communities, and WeROC (Washtenaw Regional Organizing Coalition) which brings together faith, labor and community organizations to address local issues.

The Beacon Center is committed to advocate for self-determination and education for all people, especially students living in poverty, persons of color experiencing racism, and other de-humanizing circumstances and conditions. Beacon Center's student demographics include persons of color, immigrants, minorities, LGTBQ+ folk, women, those with special needs, the economically disadvantaged, those facing housing insecurity, the financially challenged, and the working poor. For additional information on the Beacon Center, please contact Rev. Liz Larrivee at lizlarrivee@gmail.com

IMMIGRATION MINISTRY – WASHTENAW INTERFAITH COALITION FOR IMMIGRANT RIGHTS (WICIR)

Since 2008, **WICIR** has been working with, and in support of, immigrants in Washtenaw County facing challenges of many kinds. At our inception the primary need that brought us together was to support people facing enforcement action by ICE (Immigration and Customs Enforcement); most often detention, deportation, and removal. To date, WICIR has responded to 650 calls. Always in partnership with folks most affected, many actions and services have evolved as identified by our immigrant siblings, while always keeping focused on our original mission:

To provide culturally sensitive and supportive urgent response to those in Washtenaw County in immigration-related crises; impact local governmental policies to empower and protect immigrant community members; and work toward humane national immigration reform.

Our outreach has been significantly impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Many in immigrant communities have experienced significant challenges as they struggle to pay rent, provide food for their families and other basic survival needs. To respond, WICIR, in partnership with Mexiquenses in Michigan (from St. Francis of Assisi Parish), has raised and distributed $200,000 relief funds to immigrants and their families. We have a waiting list of those still in need and will continue this effort as funds are available.

For information about what's happening with immigrant rights and **Washtenaw Interfaith Coalition for Immigrant Rights**, or if you are interested in learning ways to help, please contact Melanie Harner at melharner@gmail.com or through the WICIR website: https://wicir.org/. You can also find a link on the church website.

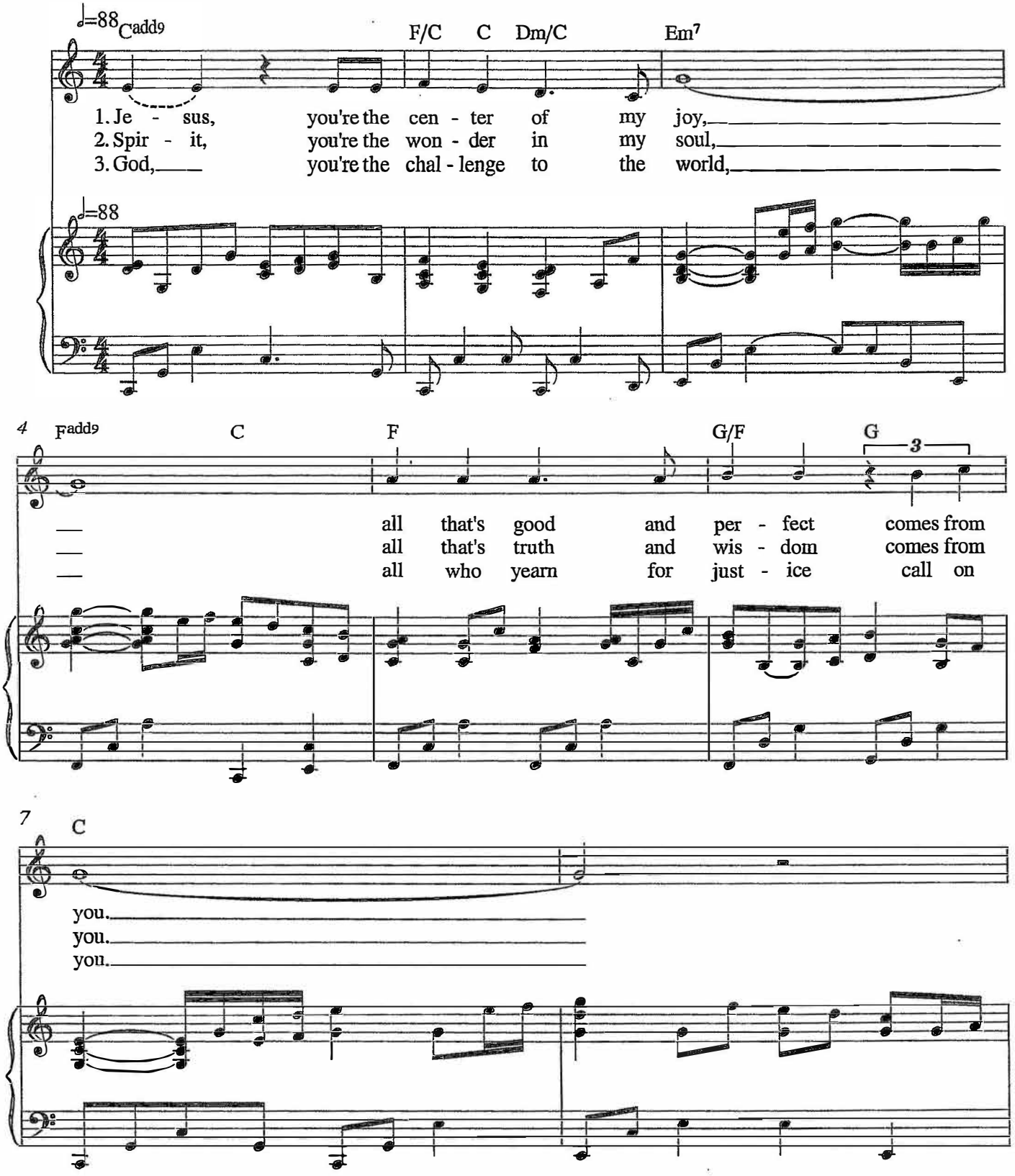
WASHTENAW REGIONAL ORGANIZING COALITION

First Congregational is a founding institution of the local "organization of organizations" **WeROC (Washtenaw Regional Organizing Coalition)**. In many ways, WeROC is a larger illustration of the values and mission we try to live out at First Congregational. WeROC members are, at our core, focused on intentionally re-weaving the frayed fabric of community at a time when forces are at work every day to keep us fragmented, suspicious of each other, feeling isolated. Especially in this time when so many are being hit by the health and economic crises, WeROC's focus on raising voices of those most affected is more important than ever (See COVID-19 Resources at www.werocmi.org) WeROC's Mission Statement is:

WeROC brings together faith, labor, community organizations, and individuals to build the healthy collective power needed to break down the systems that sustain injustice, racism, and economic inequality.

WeROC is affiliated with the Detroit Metro organization MOSES and the Gamliel National Network. Contact Tad Wysor at tadwysor@gmail.com or 734-883-3225.

This past election year showed us good things can happen when we're working together in the same direction. WeROC is moving rapidly **forward** to keep momentum going and find ways to continue to be more effective together in making our communities healthier and more vibrant places; improving the lives of *everyone* in big ways-- especially those who are most vulnerable and whose voice have seldom been heard.

Center of My Joy

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1. Je - sus, you're the cen - ter of my joy,
2. Spir - it, you're the won - der in my soul,
3. God, you're the chal - lenge to the world,
♩=88
4 Fadd9 C F G/F G
all that's good and per - fect comes from
all that's truth and wis - dom comes from
all who yearn for just - ice call on
7 C
you.
you.
you.

Words (verse 1): Gloria Gaither Music: Richard Smallwood, William Gaither
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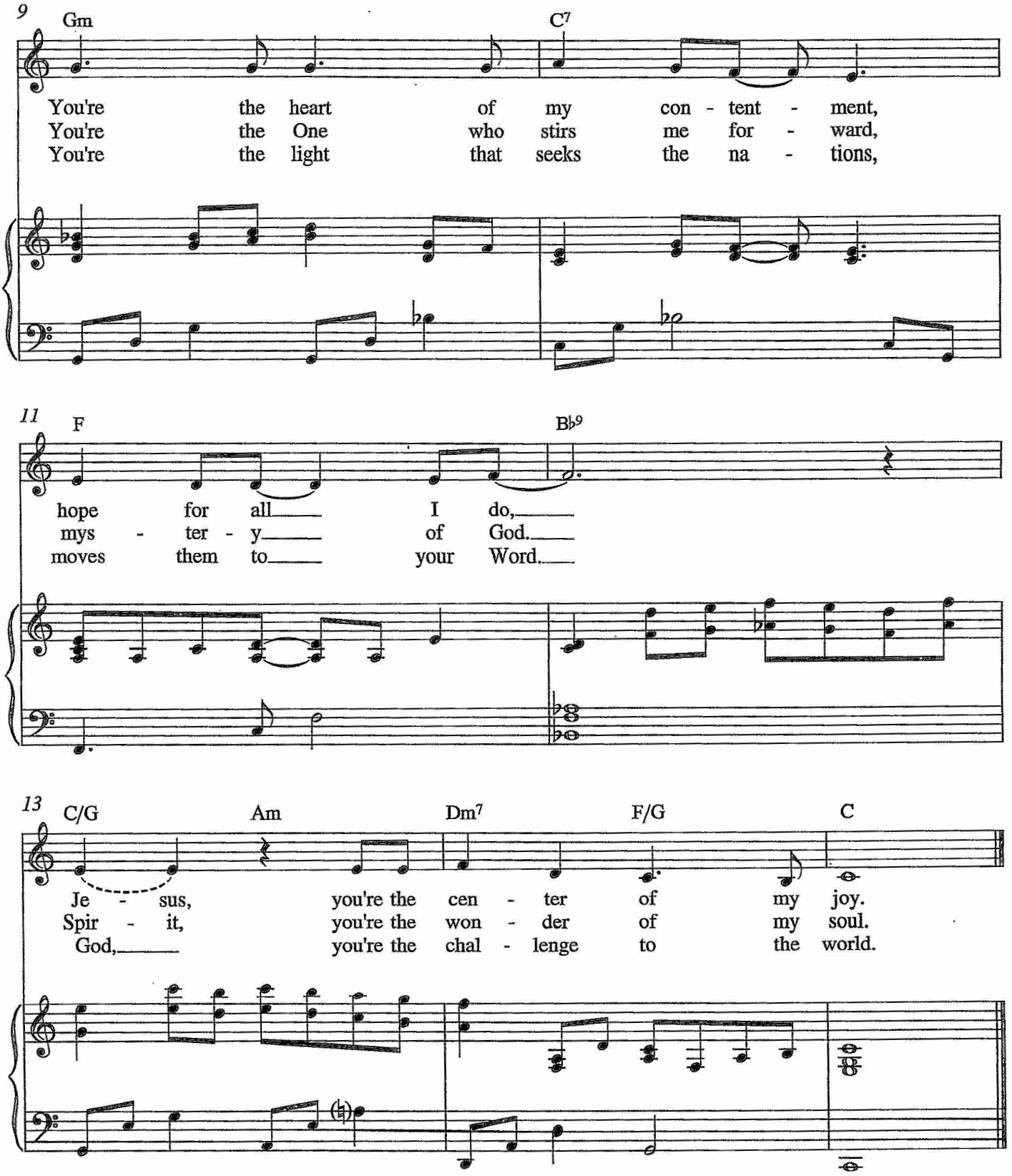
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Gm
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You're the heart of my con - tent - ment,
You're the One who stirs me for - ward,
You're the light that seeks the na - tions,
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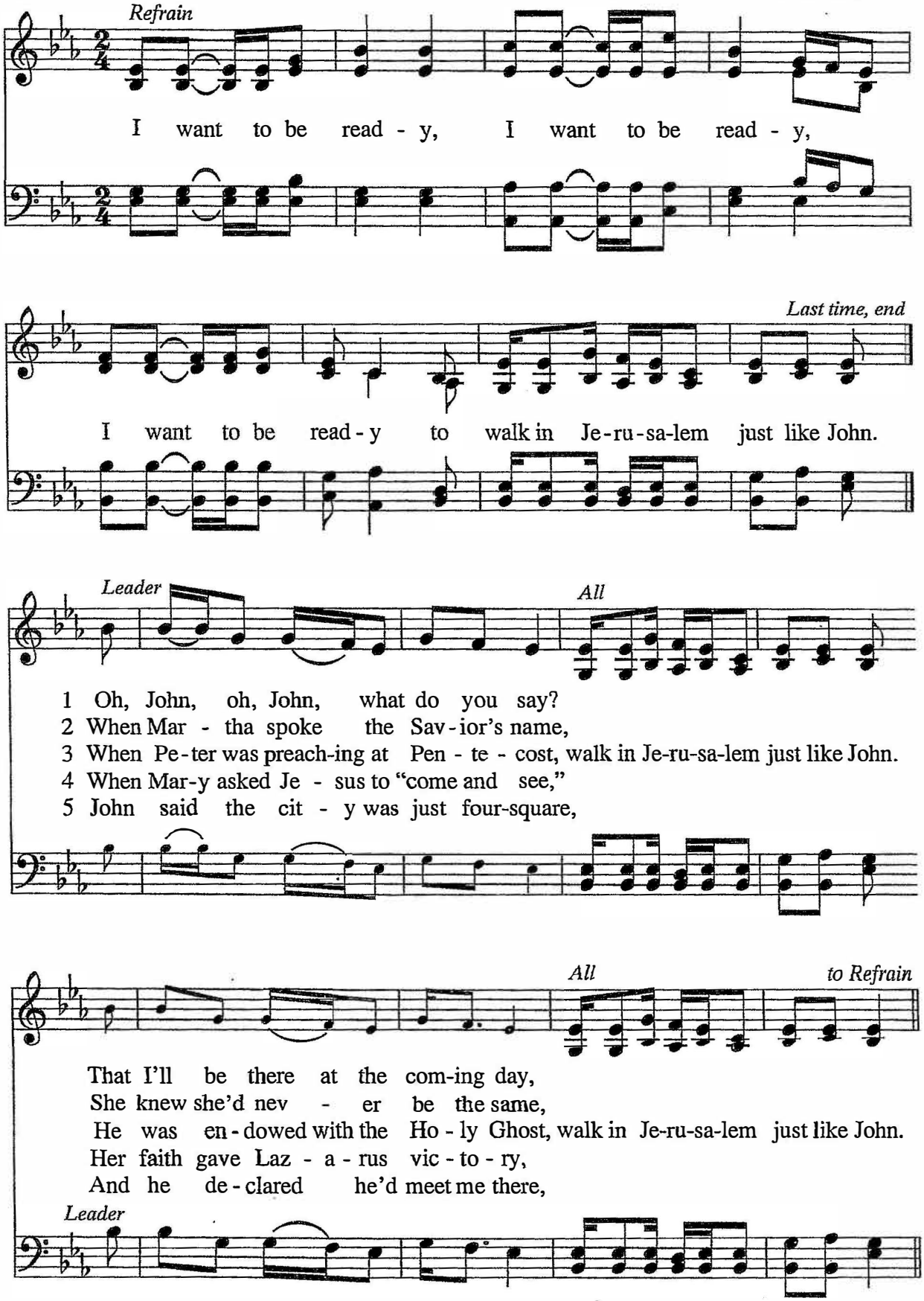
B♭9
hope for all I do,
mys - ter - y of God.
moves them to your Word.
13
C/G
Am
Dm7
F/G
C
Je - sus, you're the cen - ter of my joy.
Spir - it, you're the won - der of my soul.
God, you're the chal - lenge to the world.

I Want to Be Ready

616

African-American spiritual

Rev. 21:1–4, 10–27; John 11:1–44; Acts 2:14, 36–41


Refrain
I want to be read - y, I want to be read - y,
Last time, end
I want to be read - y to walk in Je-ru-sa-lem just like John.
Leader
All
1 Oh, John, oh, John, what do you say?
2 When Mar - tha spoke the Sav - ior's name,
3 When Pe - ter was preach-ing at Pen - te - cost, walk in Je-ru-sa-lem just like John.
4 When Mar-y asked Je - sus to "come and see,"
5 John said the cit - y was just four-square,
All
to Refrain
That I'll be there at the com-ing day,
She knew she'd nev - er be the same,
He was en - dowed with the Ho - ly Ghost, walk in Je-ru-sa-lem just like John.
Her faith gave Laz - a - rus vic - to - ry,
And he de - clared he'd meet me there,
Leader

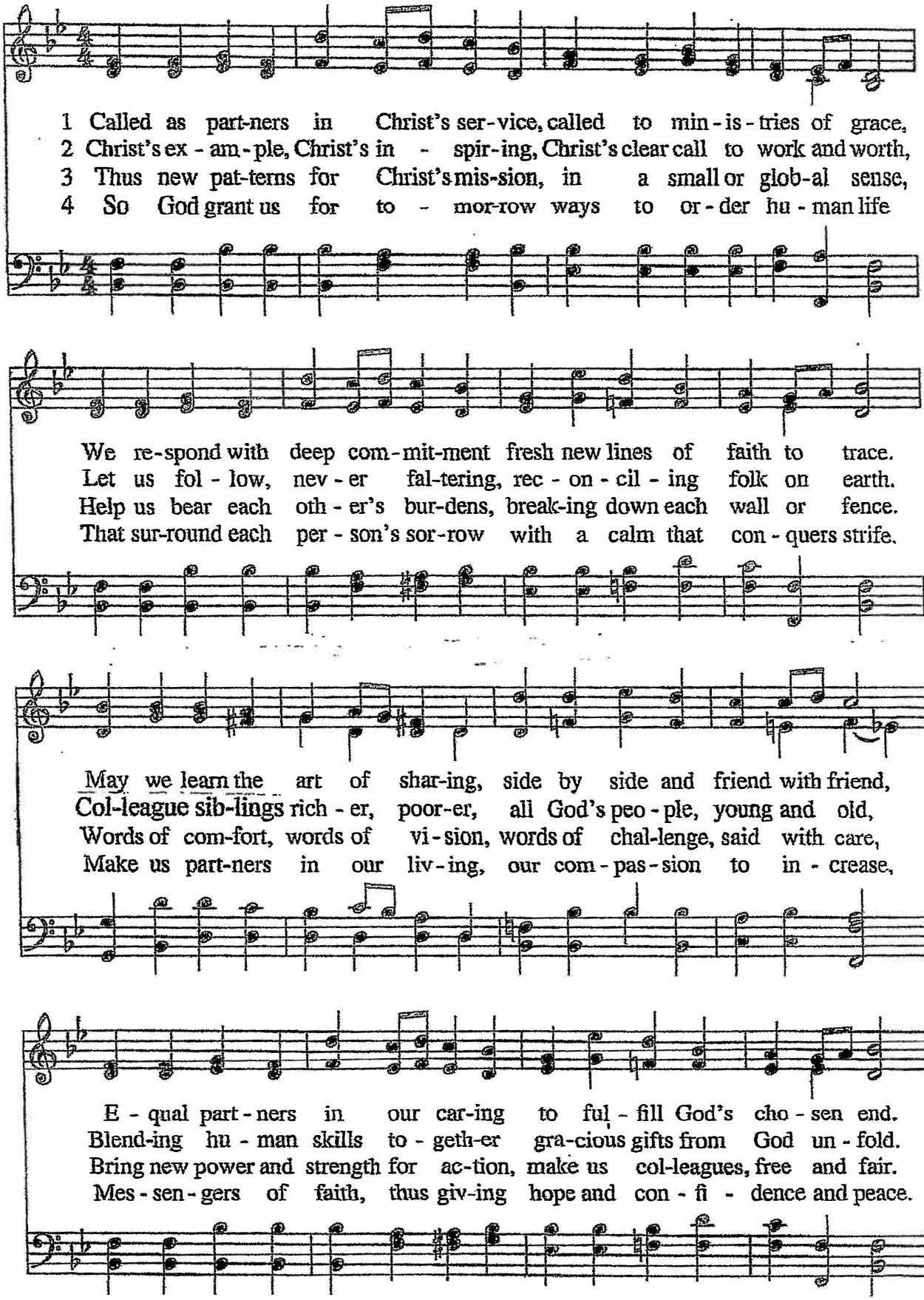
This African-American spiritual is one of a small number based not on the Hebrew Scriptures but the New Testament, specifically the book of Revelation. Stanzas two and four are additions to the traditional text and include some of the female followers of Jesus.

Tune: I WANT TO BE READY Irr.
African-American spiritual
Arr. J. Jefferson Cleveland and Verolga Nix, 1981

Called as Partners in Christ's Service

Jane Parker Huber, 1981

John 15:12–17; Gal. 6:2; Eph. 2:14–22

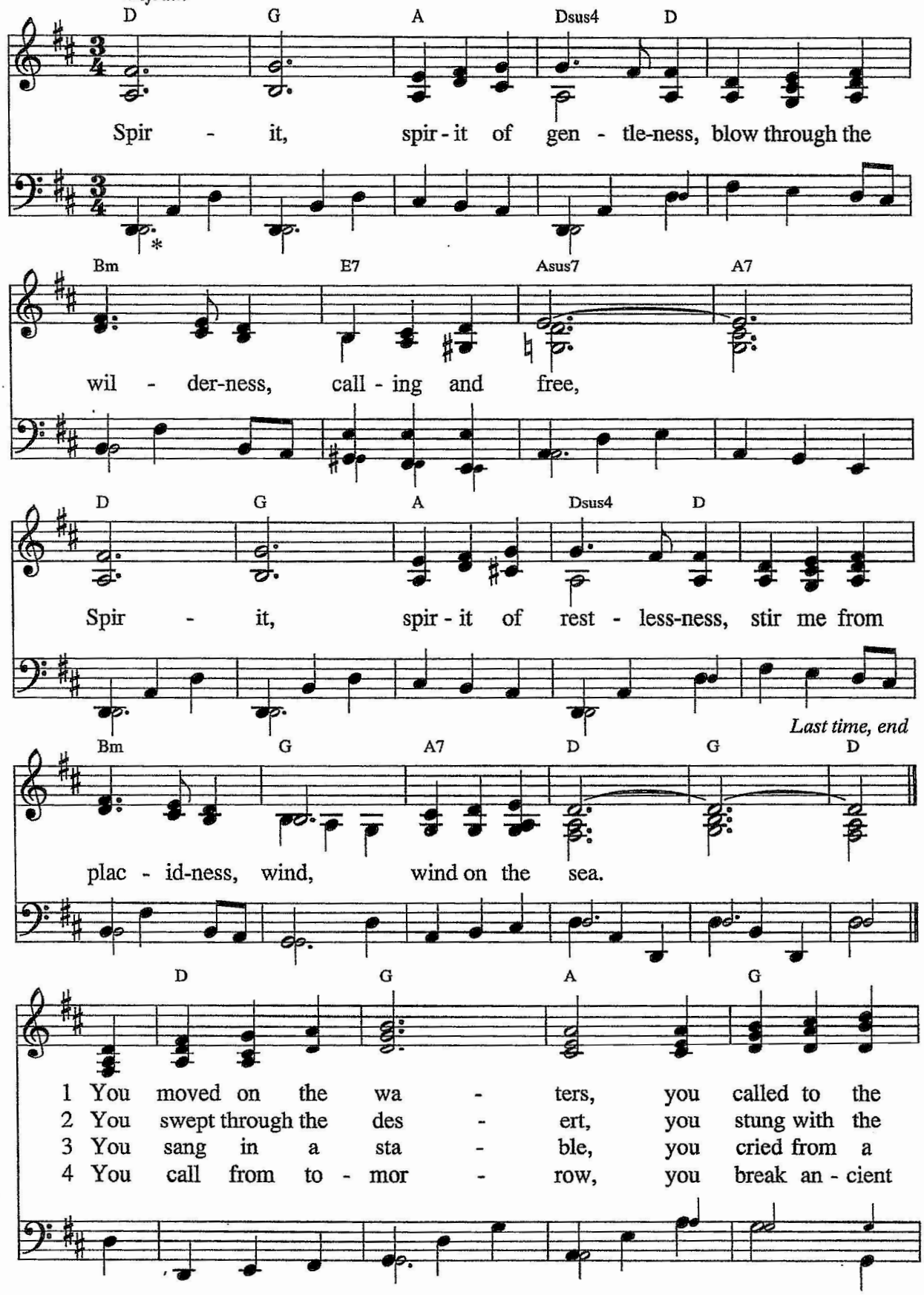

1 Called as part-ners in Christ's ser-vice, called to min-is-tries of grace,
2 Christ's ex-am-ple, Christ's in-spir-ing, Christ's clear call to work and worth,
3 Thus new pat-terns for Christ's mis-sion, in a small or glob-al sense,
4 So God grant us for to-mor-row ways to or-der hu-man life
We re-spond with deep com-mit-ment fresh new lines of faith to trace.
Let us fol-low, nev-er fal-tering, rec-on-cil-ing folk on earth.
Help us bear each oth-er's bur-dens, break-ing down each wall or fence.
That sur-round each per-son's sor-row with a calm that con-quers strife.
May we learn the art of shar-ing, side by side and friend with friend,
Col-league sib-lings rich-er, poor-er, all God's peo-ple, young and old,
Words of com-fort, words of vi-sion, words of chal-lenge, said with care,
Make us part-ners in our liv-ing, our com-pas-sion to in-crease,
E-qual part-ners in our car-ing to ful-fill God's cho-sen end.
Blend-ing hu-man skills to-geth-er gra-cious gifts from God un-fold.
Bring new power and strength for ac-tion, make us col-leagues, free and fair.
Mes-sen-gers of faith, thus giv-ing hope and con-fi-dence and peace.

One of Jane Parker Huber's most widely sung texts, this hymn was originally written for a women's breakfast at the 1981 Presbyterian General Assembly meeting to celebrate the partnership of women and men in service of the church.

Tune: BEECHER 8.7.8.7.D.
John Zundel, 1855
For another key, see 43, 368

286 Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

Unison, brightly
Refrain

James K. Manley, 1978; alt.

D G A Dsus4 D
Spir - it, spir - it of gen - tle-ness, blow through the
Bm E7 Asus7 A7
wil - der-ness, call - ing and free,
D G A Dsus4 D
Spir - it, spir - it of rest - less-ness, stir me from
Last time, end
Bm G A7 D G D
plac - id-ness, wind, wind on the sea.
D G A G
1 You moved on the wa - ters, you called to the
2 You swept through the des - ert, you stung with the
3 You sang in a sta - ble, you cried from a
4 You call from to - mor - row, you break an - cient

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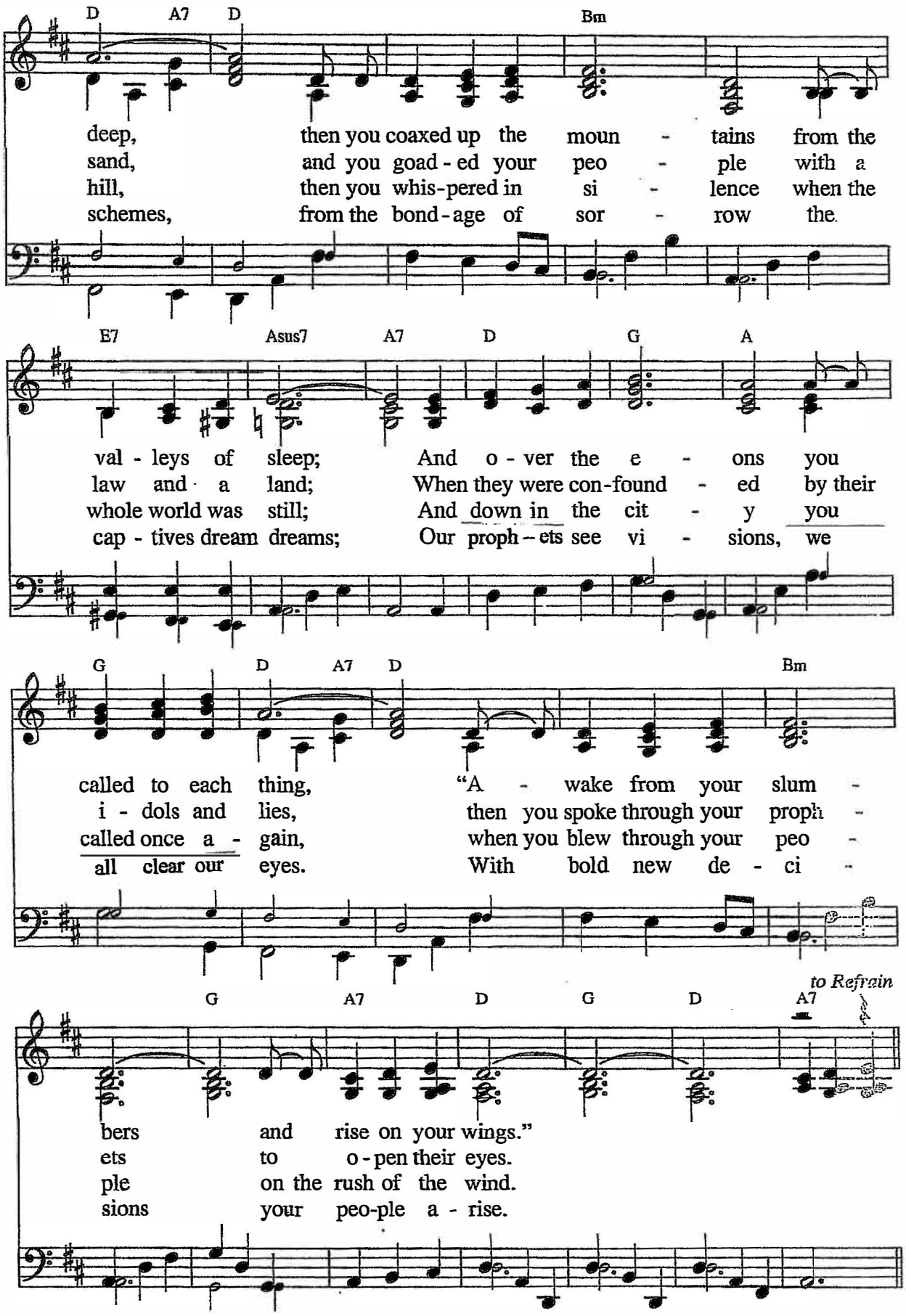
D A7 D Bm
deep, then you coaxed up the moun - tains from the
sand, and you goad - ed your peo - ple with a
hill, then you whis-pered in si - lence when the
schemes, from the bond - age of sor - row the
E7 Asus7 A7 D G A
val - leys of sleep; And o - ver the e - ons you
law and a land; When they were con-found - ed by their
whole world was still; And down in the cit - y you
cap - tives dream dreams; Our proph – ets see vi - sions, we
G D A7 D Bm
called to each thing, "A - wake from your slum -
i - dols and lies, then you spoke through your proph -
called once a - gain, when you blew through your peo -
all clear our eyes. With bold new de - ci -
to Refrain
G A7 D G D A7
bers and rise on your wings."
ets to o - pen their eyes.
ple on the rush of the wind.
sions your peo-ple a - rise.

This popular hymn by songwriter James K. Manley grew out of a sabbatical leave at the School of Theology at Claremont, California. It was first sung at Waiokeola Congregational Church in Honolulu, after which Manley added the fourth stanza at the suggestion of a church member.

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